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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER		
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Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)		
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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used) DWPI and keywords: A61M and humidifier and water and receptacle and similar terms		
C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT		
Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	WO 2002/066106 A1 (RESMED LIMITED) 29 August 2002 Page 6 lines 11 to 20, figure 1	1
P, X	DE 10226160 A1 (HOFFRICHTER GMBH) 8 January 2004 Figures 2 and 5	1
A	US 4152379 A (SUHR) 1 May 1979 Whole document	
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WO	02066106	EP	1359962	EP	1359963
		US	2004060559	US	2004055597
		WO	02066107		
DE	10226160	NONE			
US	4152379	NONE			
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